



CAMDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, February 3, 2026

5:30 P.M.

Council Chambers - City Hall

PRESENT

Mayor Vincent Sheheen
Mayor Pro Tem Hamilton Boykin
Councilmember Delia J. Davis
Councilmember Phil Elliott
Councilmember William Wilkes
City Clerk Brenda Davis

City Manager Matt DeWitt
Assistant City Manager Caitlin Young (**absent**)
Director of Communications Dawn-Marie Johnson
Attorney Lawrence Flynn (**absent**)
Chronicle-Independent Martin Cahn
and interested citizens

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Vincent Sheheen called the Camden City Council Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilmember Phil Elliott opened the council meeting with the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council, on motion by Councilmember Elliott, seconded Councilmember Wilkes, voted unanimously to approve the regular meeting minutes of January 20, 2026. Mayor Pro Tem Boykin abstained from voting due to being absent at January 20, 2026 meeting.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AGENDA

Council, on motion by Councilmember Elliott, seconded by Councilmember Wilkes, voted unanimously to approve the February 3, 2026 proposed agenda.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, AWARDS, SPECIAL RECOGNITION

- January Employee of the Month – David Enlow, Water Plant Manager

TOURISM UPDATE

Director of Tourism Jenny Parrish provided an update on tourism and marketing efforts for both the City of Camden and Kershaw County. Parrish noted several accomplishments as follows: the launch of The Camden Edit, Camden gained national attention through recent media coverage naming Camden a top small-town Christmas destination, and Camden was recognized as South Carolina's most charming town in a recent reader poll.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Scott Mechling, resident of Broad Street expressed his concerns in regards to business license fees and how they are collected when an owner is renting his/her property through a rental company. Staff acknowledged Mr. Mechling's concerns and will provide feedback to his questions.



PRESENTATION

Janet M. Pierce, CPA of Cantey, Tiller, Pierce & Green, LLP, presented the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025 audit report. The City of Camden received an unmodified opinion related to the audit. There were no restrictions on the scope of work done by Cantey, Tiller, Pierce & Green, LLP, as they received full cooperation from the City staff and Council.

CONSENT ITEMS

After discussion, Council unanimously approved the following consent items:

1. Mayor's Task Force regarding homelessness
2. Finance quarterly report for Q2 October 2025- December 2025.
3. Two appointments to the Arts Center of Kershaw County – Jenny Parris and Councilmember William Wilkes

ORDINANCE #2026-003 1st Reading

Council on motion by Mayor Pro Tem Boykin, second by Councilmember Wilkes, voted unanimously to approve an ordinance amending certain provision of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Camden pertaining to Transportation Manufacturing Uses: and other matters related thereto.

ORDINANCE #2026-004 1st Reading (carry over)

Council on motion by Councilmember Wilkes, second by Mayor Pro Tem Boykin, voted unanimously to **CARRY OVER** an ordinance approving the re-zoning of property located at 112 York Street (Parcel Number C285-13-00-032) and other matters related thereto.

COUNCIL/STAFF TOPICS

none

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council, on motion by Councilmember Elliott, seconded by Councilmember Wilkes, voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session at 6:01pm to discuss the following:

- Discussion of contractual matter as it relates to the City Administration Department
- City development conversation as it relates to the possible expansion of city services.

REGULAR SESSION

Council, on motion by Councilmember Davis, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Boykin, unanimously agreed to re-enter regular session at 6:38 pm. No action taken.



ADJOURN

There being no further business, Council voted unanimously to adjourn the Council Meeting at 6:40 pm.

Mayor Vincent Sheheen

Attest:

City Clerk Brenda Davis